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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **Li How Chen et al.**

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Application No.: **09/175,683**

Examiner: **Richard A. Schnizer**

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For: **NOVEL MODIFIED NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES AND METHODS FOR  
INCREASING mRNA LEVELS AND PROTEIN EXPRESSION IN CELL SYSTEMS**

Attorney Docket Number: **GTC-40C**

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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above application. The application was filed on October 20, 1998. On September 27, 2005 Applicant filed a Renewed Petition for Revival Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), together with the required corrected figures for the present application. As a result of this filing, Applicant understands that the corrected figures are in condition for approval and the present application is condition for revival and allowance. PAIR indicates that as of October 5, 2005 this application is in condition for allowance and as of October 12, 2005 the present application was received into publications. The issue fee paid on January 21, 2005 has been received by the USPTO and per PAIR such payment has been verified. Applicant respectfully requests a status update on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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